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Applicant: F.K. Blades / Attorney Docket No.: GDAES118459
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Title: PARALLEL ARC FAULT DIAGNOSTIC FOR AIRCRAFT WIRING /

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In the April 21, 2003, election/restriction Office Action in this application, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office indicated that Claims 1-42 are subject to election requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121. In addition, the drawings have been accepted without objection by the Examiner. Applicant assumes that the Examiner is referring to the formal drawings that were submitted on July 9, 2002, and not the drawings submitted on January 23, 2002, as indicated on form PTO-326, and which have been approved without objection by the Examiner.

Applicant provisionally elects Species I, the claims readable thereon being Claims 1-5, 16-31, 39, and 42. At least one generic claim is presented in the elected species. This response is without traverse.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, applicant respectfully requests consideration of the provisionally elected species prior to taking up the present patent application for examination. If the Examiner has any remaining questions concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's undersigned attorney at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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